

# Cribbage World

AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS

## Cribbage on the High Seas!

In September **Dan and Carolyn Selke** went on a Road Scholar cruise to the Inner Passage of Alaska. Only 38 passengers were on the ship, and amazingly, over the course of the trip, Dan played cribbage with seven people who were familiar with the game! He also introduced cribbage to the bartender, who very quickly became an enthusiastic participant. An unexpected bonus to a great trip!



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- **Bill McClain** (Eugene OR)
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The Ethics Committee suspended **Roy McGillivray** (Chico CA) indefinitely, starting January 11, 2024, for leaving a Grass Roots event without completing all the games; this is a repeat offense.

## ACC membership odometer

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# President's Column

by James Morrow



**Windshield or bug?** “Sometimes you're the windshield, sometimes you're the bug.”

This saying rings true in life and particularly for us as cribbage players. I played in the Grass Roots Regional Tournament this weekend, and I felt like I was definitely the bug. As my opponents advanced, I couldn't seem to get out of their way. I was dealt 2-4-10-J-Q-K needing six points to win. I threw 2-4 to my opponent's crib, cut a 9, and then couldn't peg one point. This pattern continued throughout the afternoon. I watched twenty-point leads disappear, and the only time the cribs worked out was when I threw cards to my opponent.

I truly felt like the bug that day, and even though it wasn't what I had hoped for, I also realized that I have had great success too. In every tournament, whether Grass Roots, internet, or sanctioned, we will be both windshields and bugs. While we all enjoy recording 2- and 3-point wins, we also have to record those “splat 0, splat 0” moments. We have to remember that we can't always be the windshield, as the cards just won't allow for it. Sometimes being the bug can be comical, and maybe it becomes a learning opportunity. Sometimes being the bug means missing qualifying by one game or even by spread points, and those are hard to laugh at. But we need to know that our turn at being the top qualifier is as close as the next opportunity we get to play this awesome game.

## Milestones!

Two months in advance, send info about member birthdays ending in a zero to [cwed152@gmail.com](mailto:cwed152@gmail.com) or 334 Pine St, Coopersville MI 49404.

*Happy Birthday in November!*

80—**John Blowers** (FL)

80—**Dave Johnson** (SD)

60—**Margaret Fanucchi** (CA)

50—**Brady Short** (WA)

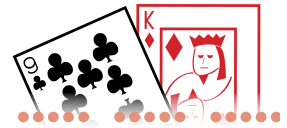
30—**Charles Curry** (OR)

## Cribbage Podcast

Have you heard about the new podcast “Competitive Cribbage” hosted by **Terry Cushman**? You can tune in on Spotify or Apple Podcasts, where Terry interviews random cribbage players. Not only do you get to hear their thoughts about all things cribbage, but you can also find out what they like on their pizza!



# Your Deal



## Thank You!

I want to thank everyone who contacted me in regards to the flooding in North Carolina. It was appreciated and shows that the cribbage community is a caring group. No ACC members in western North Carolina suffered more than minor damage. Your concern was valued.

*Keith Miller (Canton NC)*

## O. Henry and Cribbage

I found cribbage in a short story by O. Henry (pseudonym of William Sydney Porter) entitled “A Ramble in Aphasia”: “On Thursdays nights . . . my wife and I play cribbage.”

*Richard Michalec (Fort Mill SC)*

## Kate Atkinson and Cribbage

I have been reading a series of books by Kate Atkinson. This excerpt is from *Death at the Sign of the Rook* (page 40): “Sometimes after dinner Lady Milton played cards with Sophie. Sophie had taught her Cribbage. They played for matchsticks—they were both surprisingly competitive—and Sophie laughed and said one day she

would cash in her matchsticks and Lady Milton would have to pay up. Sophie said Cribbage was the kind of thing old men used to play in pubs.”

*Steve Colgan (Hoodsport WA)*

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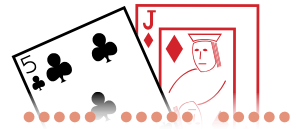
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Tale of the Tape	Rick Baird	Bob Chase	Rob Medeiros
average	52.3% (68–62)	✓ 60.5% (52–34)	59.1% (55–38)
biggest win	+43 vs. Ray Gumpert (OR) @ Club 12	✓ +55 vs. Reiny Grasmick (MN) @ Club 215	+34 vs. Bill Cormier (MA) @ Club 104
worst loss	–54 vs. Jerry Blackman (OR) @ Bend tourney	–56 vs. Adam Switzer (MN) @ Club 215	✓ –39 vs. Laurie Hardy (ME) @ Wells ME

# My Deal

by David Aiken



Play **smart**, play **fair**, play **fast**—but mostly play **nice**

This story started when **Tom Kilcoyne** (Collegeville PA) emailed me on May 14 with the subject line “Found cribbage mentioned in a book . . . an old book.” His email had five short paragraphs:

*Author = Fyodor Dostoyevsky*

*Book = The Idiot*

*Year = 1868*

*The character = Vladimir Doktorenko (nephew of Lebedev)*

*The passage = “I had 20 roubles & lost them gambling to a blackguard (we were playing cribbage).”*

Since cribbage is not a Russian game, I was immediately suspicious of the reference. Having been an editor of academic books for forty years, I knew I had to fact-check this quotation, so I pulled my copy of *The Idiot* from my bookshelf. And I found no mention of cribbage. ↓ Nothing, nada, nil. Nyet!

I asked Tom for more details. He responded with pictures of the title page and the quotation. And this led to two discoveries:

and one of Rogozhin's old gang. He's a boxing instructor now. They've all been knocking about since Rogozhin disbanded them. The worst thing is I knew very well that he was a scoundrel, a rogue and a cardsharper, yet I played with him, and, when I was being plucked of my last ruble, I thought to myself, 'If I lose, I'll go to Uncle Lukyan and ask him to help me out. He won't say no.' Now that was mean and low-down, and deliberately so!"

- (1) The actual quotation in Tom's book is “I bet my last rouble (we were playing cribbage).” ↓ (The phrases “I had twenty roubles and lost them gambling” and “to a blackguard” appear earlier.)
- (2) We were accessing different translations: Tom was reading a 2001 translation, and I was looking at a 1971 translation.

“Yes, to a blackguard, but who still had to be paid, the man went on. “And that he's a blackguard, I, too, will testify, not only because he gave you a beating. He's a rejected officer, Prince, a retired lieutenant from Rogozhin's former band, who teaches boxing. They're all wandering about now, since Rogozhin scattered them. But the worst thing is that I knew he was a blackguard, a scoundrel, and a petty thief, and I still sat down to play with him, and that, as I bet my last rouble (we were playing cribbage), I thought to myself: I'll lose, go to Uncle Lukyan, bow to him—he won't refuse. That was meanness, that was real meanness! That was conscious baseness!”

Despite this, why did one translation say “cribbage” and one omit it entirely? So I checked the longtime standard, the translation by Constance Garnett first pub-

lished in 1913, and it reads: “we were playing *palki*.”

Wait, what?! Now we have three translations? I couldn’t let this slide, and the result was a deep dive into the world of Russian translation. As it turns out, there have been at least thirteen translations of *The Idiot* into English. With the help of my friendly local librarian (thank you, Katie!), I ordered all thirteen English translations via interlibrary loan and also contacted translators Richard Pevear and Larissa Volokhonsky via email. And here’s how these books translate палки, the Russian word in question:

палки	year	translator
palki	1887	Frederick Whishaw
palki	1913	Constance Garnett
palki	1915	Eva Martin
??	1955	David Magarshack (translation not found)
palki	1965	John W. Strahan
sticks	1969	Henry Carlisle and Olga Andreyeva Carlisle
[null]	1971	Julius Katzer
cards	1992	Alan Myers
cribbage	2002	Richard Pevear and Larissa Volokhonsky
palki	2003	Constance Garnett, revised by Anna Brailovsky
palki	2004	David McDuff
cribbage	2004	Constance Garnett, revised by Elina Yuffa
palki	2010	Ignat Avsey

Three of the “palki” translations, all of them published in the last two decades, include explanatory footnotes:

year	translator	footnote
2003	Garnett/Brailovsky	A card game.
2004	McDuff	“Sticks”—a card game.
2010	Avsey	Literally “sticks,” a game of cards.

Ignoring the translation I couldn’t lay my hands on, we see five basic approaches to translating палки in *The Idiot*.

Occurring most commonly (seven times) is the non-translation “palki.” I say “non-translation” because this is simply a transliteration of the Russian word—something translators do when the meaning of the original term is confusing or unknown. Transliteration is the easy way out, like punting on fourth down.

Another easy-out is to simply ignore the difficulty and omit it from the translation altogether; one edition—the one on my shelf—takes this approach.

Yet another version gives the literal translation of the word палки (“sticks”), but nothing in the context tells us what “sticks” is, so this isn’t terribly helpful.

Three translations attempt to give the reader more knowledge than we find in the

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## 40 Years Ago

In a blue-ink special, the cover announced that **Grace Cummings** (Madison WI) won Grand National 3 in Chicago IL, beating **Scott Kooistra** (Brooklyn Center MN) in the finals. This was Grace's first and only tournament win, while Scott would go on to win twenty-

one tournaments (so far)—including Grand National 4!

## 25 Years Ago

The cover story announced the results of “a controversial mid-week format” (using the words of editor *Cribbage World* DeLynn Colvert). Directed by the late, great **Jerry Gruber**, the Treasure Island Open in Red Wing MN drew 166 players to a midweek tourney. Whether this event was truly unique as DeLynn states in the headline, nowadays midweek tourneys are ubiquitous. The 2024–25 season will see no fewer than three dozen midweek events.

*CW Editorial—continued*

bland “palki” or the literal “sticks.” One generically reads “cards,” and two interpret the word more specifically as “cribbage.” Using what is known as “dynamic equivalence,” this translation technique aims to convey the meaning of a text rather than being word-for-word. In other words, since the literal “sticks” and the transliteration “palki” don’t tell the English reader anything, a dynamic-equivalence translation makes an educated guess that “cards” or “cribbage” will give a better sense of the passage.

This does not mean, however, that Dostoyevsky’s protagonist knew how to play cribbage. Lebedev’s rowdy nephew was no doubt familiar with various Russian gambling games—or maybe not so familiar, since he regularly loses money gambling!—but we have no indication that Russians knew/know how play a game invented in the English-speaking world and that traveled the globe on English-speaking naval ships.

I’d like to think that cribbage is alive and well in the world’s largest country, but there is no Russian Cribbage Congress organizing clubs and tournament for 145 million Russian citizens. Until such a time, we’ll have to be content with an obscure potential mention of our 400-year-old game by one of the world’s greatest novelists. **CW**





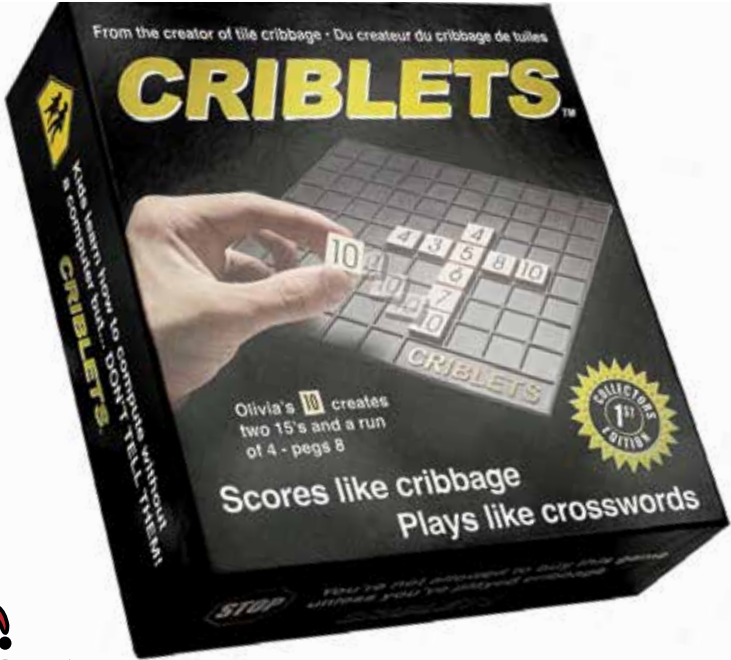
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tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Jim Jones & LeeAnn Kaai Memorial (Laguna Woods CA, 8/24)	Paul Dockstader	43 players HQ. Obie Weeks (35) 1. <b>Tyler Brinker</b> (105) 2. Bob Prochnow (70) 3. Ryan Denissen (42) 3. Pamela Pomeroy (42)	22 players HQ. Andrea Lawrence (6) 1. <b>Virginia Casey</b> (40) 2. Andrea Lawrence (24) 3. Kevin Martin (12) 3. Dave Yaeger (12)	28-hands: Pamela Pomeroy* Jaymi Ropp*	
Portland Summer Festival (Portland OR; 8/30)	Erik Locke	77 players HQ. Craig Smith (50) 1. Jim Mahan (147) 2. Diana Webster (105) 3. Willie Evans (70) 3. Scott Reidy (70)	36 players HQ. Dave Waller (12) 1. Charlette Springer (60) 2. Carol Williams (40) 3. Michael Crume (24) 3. S. J. Ferrigno (24)	28-hands: S. J. Ferrigno* Dan Gamba*	Early Bird: Ray Klocko Canadian Doubles: Kat Hartsell & Bryan Gurden
Fall Territorial Prison Classic (Deer Lodge MT; 9/3)	Bob Stone	46 players HQ. Larry Holman (45) 1. Bernie Nelson (105) 2. Richard Rudio (70) 3. Eric Boysen (42) 3. Donald Czczok (42)	32 players HQ. Bob Stone (15) 1. <b>Patrick Sullivan</b> (40) 2. Bob Stone (24) 3. Greg Dibble (12) 3. Elizabeth Milodragovich (12)	28-hand: Patrick Sullivan*	Early Bird: Todd Malmgren Tuesday Canadian Doubles: Ronnie Murakami & Charlene Cohen Wednesday Canadian Doubles: Danny Riddle & Greg Dibble
Taking the Longview Mid-week (Longview WA; 9/6)	Chris McComas	17 players HQ. Pete Larsen (50) 1. Jim Mahan (70) 2. Pete Larsen (42) 3. Junko Larsen (21) 3. Erik Locke (21)	10 players HQ. Craig Smith (12) 1. Craig Smith (24) 2. Terry Weber (12) 3. Erik Locke (4)		
Taking the Longview (Longview WA; 9/7)	Chris McComas	23 players HQ. Terry Weber (60) 1. Erik Locke (70) 2. Pete Larsen (42) 3. Carole Herron (21) 3. Terry Weber (21)	12 players HQ. Craig Smith (12) 1. Craig Smith (24) 2. Duane Toll (12) 3. Diana Webster (4)		

**LEGEND**  
**HQ** = high qualifier  
 \* = in sanctioned event  
 green = grand slam  
 red = first win

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
September Sizzler (South Windsor CT; 9/8)	Joan Fletcher	72 players HQ. Joe Zimmitti (40) 1. Frank Reddy (147) 2. Joe Zimmitti (105) 3. Robert Baker (70) 3. Mike Fetchel (70)	38 players HQ. Mike Misiuk (15) 1. <b>Bill Peters</b> (60) 2. Mike Misiuk (40) 3. Michael Becker (24) 3. Kendra Munkacsy (24)		
Gem State Classic (Boise ID; 9/13)	Laurie Logan	70 players HQ. James Morrow (35) 1. Chris McComas (147) 2. Craig Smith (105) 3. Bob Brumley (70) 3. Laurie Logan (70)	42 players HQ. Bill Schlabes (21) 1. Ronald Logan (60) 2. David Bute (40) 3. Todd Malmgren (24) 3. Les Sissel (24)	28-hands: Becky Gibbs* Todd Malmgren*	Early Bird: Ronald Logan Canadian Doubles: Jack Wimer & Jeanne Wimer
Iowa Classic (Marshalltown IA; 9/13)	Mike Henze	86 players HQ. Matt Klar (35) 1. Jeff Shimp (147) 2. Matt Klar (105) 3. Meme Schafer (70) 3. Terry Weber (70)	54 players HQ. Brad Edstrom (15) 1. David Carlson (60) 2. Joe Gates (40) 3. Brad Edstrom (24) 3. Darlene Stier (24)	28-hand: Bob Hanes*	
Iowa Classic 2 (Marshalltown IA; 9/14)	Mike Henze	92 players HQ. Jim Mahan (60) 1. Terry Weber (147) 2. Jim Mahan (105) 3. Peter Christensen (70) 3. Haley Hintze (70)	56 players HQ. Sawyer Loger (18) 1. <b>Donald Eshbaugh</b> (60) 2. Don Pohlman (40) 3. Henry Brandner (24) 3. Kevin Harris (24)	28-hands: Joe Clarke* Larry Holtan* Sawyer Loger* Sam Sinram*	
Red River Peg Out (Dallas TX; 9/14)	Scott Buhrow	43 players HQ. Julie Hardardt (55) 1. Jason Matheny (105) 2. Donald Stockham (70) 3. Scott Buhrow (42) 3. Alan Josephson (42)	25 players HQ. Craig Phipps (18) 1. <b>Monty Buhrow</b> (40) 2. Jamie Fate (24) 3. Craig Phipps (12) 3. Rachel Ray-Weish (12)		

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tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
New Hampshire Open (Nashua NH; 9/15)	David Statz & Mary Burlington	106 players HQ. Mike Misiuk (50) 1. Todd Smith (147) 2. David Statz (105) 3. Michael Dostoomian (70) 3. Mary Simon (70)	52 players HQ. Paul Batterson (18) 1. Donald Janelle (60) 2. Guy Spezzaferro (40) 3. Rick Montague (24) 3. Michael Sclafani (24)	28-hands: Kerry Gonzalez* Tom Ostrowski*	
Sin City Sunrise (Henderson NV; 9/20)	Brenda Nason	39 players HQ. Jeanne Jelke (50) 1. Alan Talacek (105) 2. Scott Harker (70) 3. Brenda Nason (42) 3. Lyford Smith (42)	26 players HQ. Rodney Rideau (15) 1. Jennifer Bolles (40) 2. Rodney Rideau (24) 3. Linda Harrison (12) 3. Patrick Healey (12)		
Sin City Spectacular (Henderson NV; 9/21)	Al Schaefer	44 players HQ. Donald Brown (70) 1. Cynthia Wark (105) 2. Don Ferenz (70) 3. Donald Brown (42) 3. Chad Loupee (42)	16 players HQ. Barbara Stockham (18) 1. Rodney Rideau (24) 2. Carol Williams (12) 3. Jennifer Bolles (4) 3. Barbara Stockham (4)		
Spokane's Fall Brawl for It All (Spokane WA; 9/20)	Kat Hartsell	35 players HQ. Kat Hartsell (30) 1. Bob Brumley (105) 2. Mattie Kivett (70) 3. Timothy Julkowski (42) 3. Dave Yaeger (42)	26 players HQ. Jeff Leake (18) 1. Wayne Koski (40) 2. Jeff Leake (24) 3. Timothy Becker (12) 3. James Morrow (12)	28-hands: Frank Hanson* Audrey Hatto*	Canadian Doubles: Tammy Gibbons & Ross Newmann
Spokane's Fall Brawl for It All Again (Spokane WA; 9/21)	Kat Hartsell	44 players HQ. Erik Locke (35) 1. Audrey Hatto (105) 2. Jason Ramelow (70) 3. Frank Hanson (42) 3. Erik Locke (42)	24 players HQ. Dale Weilep (12) 1. Wayne Koski (40) 2. Dale Weilep (24) 3. Ross Newmann (12) 3. Gary Pinkley (12)		

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# ACC Awards

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Oregon Championship (Bend OR; 9/27)	Rick Baird	43 players HQ. Marcia Glenn (50) 1. Marcia Glenn (105) 2. Michael Redmond (70) 3. Jeff Mather (42) 3. Charlette Springer (42)	30 players HQ. Debra Lucas (18) 1. Bob Brumley (40) 2. Wayne Momsen (24) 3. Debra Lucas (12) 3. Tom McLean (12)	28-hands: James Clark* Ben Creighton* Gerald Hahn* Jeff Mather*	Mid-Roller: Nicole Gordon



I learned to play cribbage as an adult. On a break from computer skills class, another student suggested the game, who then introduced me to Dennis Dooley, an ACC member. I came to club after two weeks, joining the ACC in 1998. George Rasmussen is my first mentor, advancing my skills and understanding through his classes. I went back for three years, focusing on a different skill. Then I further honed my skills under Duane Toll's watchful eye. And the rest is history with Duane! I have ten wins—all of them consolations. In Washington State, they call me the Consolation Queen! I earned Life Master at the Sunnyside tournament this past July. My toughest opponents are Rick Baird and Duane Toll. My other interests are painting and gardening.

**Diana Webster**  
(Sutherlin OR)  
Life Master

I learned cribbage from my three older brothers when my hands were big enough to hold six cards. I joined the ACC in 1991 at the behest of my biggest mentor, Clay Collier. He took me to GN 11 in Des Moines IA; watching him win the main got me hooked. I joined the Travelers Club this season—the first time ever as a Grass Roots member. Twenty years after joining ACC, I got my first win: the 2010 Reno consy versus the late/great David Campbell, a man I will never forget. I have won nineteen tournaments to date and earned my Life Master in Sacramento to begin the 2024–25 season. I was so jazzed I bombed out 0–3 in my first match . . . grrrrrr. The Reno cluster is my favorite. My best memory of last year was recording six wins and cracking 1,000 MRPs—my best season ever. My wife Karen (a cribbage-tolerant saint) and I recently retired to Mesa AZ. That's my story and I am sticking to it. There are dozens of others in our cribbage family who deserve recognition; I wish there was space to acknowledge them all.

**Don Thienel**  
(Mesa AZ)  
Life Master



## *New Cribbage Life Masters*

Carole Herron (Waldport OR)  
Steve Hastie (Citrus Heights CA)  
Peter Legendre (Pittston ME)

## *New Cribbage Grand Masters*

Arlene Carle (Anchorage AK)  
Charlette Springer (La Grande OR)

# GrassRoots *Awards*

## SILVER

Van Ray (CA), 306

Russell N. Rice (MI), 97

Walter Wasielewski (MI), 332

Larry West (WA), 204

## BRONZE

Gerry Arseneau (MA), 308

Paula Humbert (FL), 328

Greg Horst (AZ), 408

Jim Kotzer (MN), 94

Robert J. Lenz (WI), 445

Wayne Rikerd (WA), 243

Bill Schlages (CA), 453

Michael Sclafani (MA), 104

Mike Erdmann (MN), 94

Debra Wrightman (CA), 173



**Rick Baird**  
(Bend OR)  
Platinum #19

Rick learned cribbage from high school friends (in other words, a **very** long time ago!). He joined the ACC in 1993 and has learned the most from Duane Toll and Erik Locke. A member of Club 12 in Bend, he has been club champ twelve times (plus twice in Roseburg). On the night he earned his Platinum Award, he won eight of

nine games, missing the grand slam by only six points! After winning his first sanctioned event in 2006, he has now won twenty-four tournaments and has earned his Life Master (2★) rating. Rick's favorite cribbage memory this year was playing a five-game match against Duane. His toughest opponents at club are Jason Thornton and Dave Ehle. In 2004 Rick bowled a perfect game—and three days later had a perfect cribbage hand! Non-cribbage interests include church, fantasy football, Padre baseball, and river rafting.

## 28-Hand

Playing with Paradise Peggars Club 110 in Honolulu HI, Wendy Yafuso (Friendswood TX) scored her second 29-hand this year!

Brand-new Club 472 (Grass Valley CA) saw a 28-hand on the first night of the brand-new season when brand-new ACC member **Alfred Mazerolle** had a 28-hand in his first-ever club event!





edited by **Michael Barrett**



Club contributions are encouraged. Send items of interest to **ACCgrassrootscorner@gmail.com**

# GRASS ROOTS CORNER

**Club 419 (Laguna Woods CA)—on opening day, new member **Roger Aieli** scored a 29-hand, and **Larry Irion** had his first-ever grand slam (20/9 +162).**

Due to space considerations, CW will no longer print pictures of 28-hand holders and will instead list only their names. If there's an interesting story associated with a 28-hand, you might talk us into printing the picture—if it's a really good story! We will, of course, continue to print pics of 29-hands and grand slams.

*more Grass Roots stories next month*

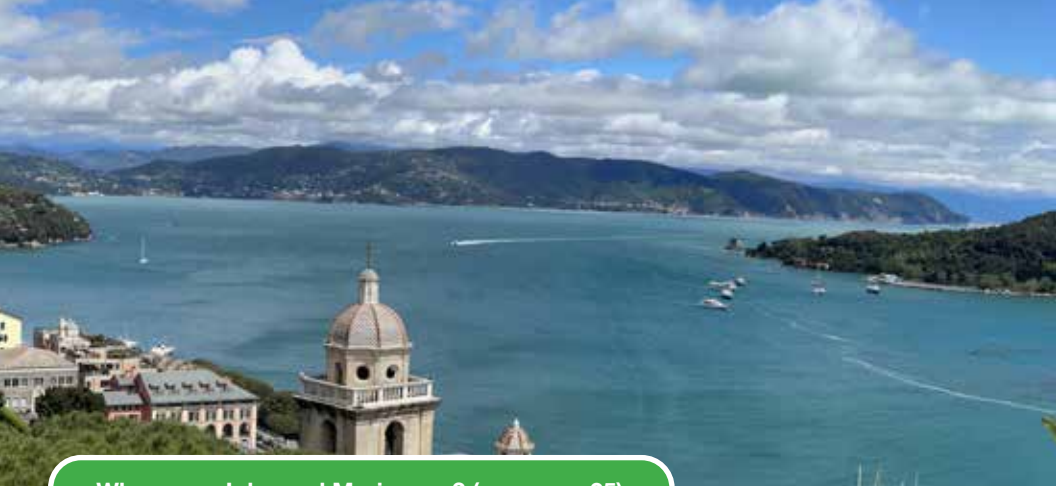
## Grand Slams

- Margaret Christensen (Club 98 in Crescent City CA)
- Paul Brown (Club 113 in Albany OR)
- Rick Montague (Club 161 in Carmichael CA)
- Susan Flynn (Club 175 in Bridgewater NJ)
- Cordelle Rugroden (Club 285 in Beaverton OR)

## 28-Hand

Eleven-year-old **Sebastian Fuchslin**, a member of Club 470 in Winnemucca NV, holds a 28-hand! (Shown here with his dad, Chris.)





Where are John and Maria now? (see page 25)

# New Members

179 last month

## **Alaska**

Brian Heyano (Anchorage)  
Clarke Leichte (Barrow)  
Abigail Pfisterer (Anchorage)

## **Arizona**

Bailey Lowney (Litchfield Park)  
Douglas Lowney (Litchfield Park)

## **California**

Henry Berg (Alameda)  
Robyn Berg (Alameda)  
Anita Bickham (Discovery Bay)  
Buzz Bickham (Discovery Bay)  
Mark Bruno (Lakeside)  
Mason Connelly (Sacramento)  
Donald Costa (Nevada City)  
Carolyn Emry (Templeton)  
Jahn Forte (Santa Paula)  
Todd Fulton (Citrus Heights)  
RebaAnn Gray (Chico)  
Edward Hodapp (Temecula)  
Kelly Jackson (Lompoc)  
Alfred Mazerolle (Grass Valley)  
Joseph Meade (Nevada City)  
Elizabeth Rice (Durham)  
Jacob Sargent (Berkeley)  
Penny Tingey (Paso Robles)  
Charles Toots (Los Angeles)

## **Colorado**

Eileen Johnston (Colorado Springs)  
Vanessa Lomas (Colorado Springs)  
Jeff Schuller (Evergreen)

Jody Strouse (Fort Morgan)

## **Connecticut**

Abigail Davis (Windsor Locks)  
Dan Schnobrich (Enfield)

## **Florida**

Paula Ashley (Palmetto)  
Marelene DeWolf (Kissimmee)  
Tara Hagen (Crestview)  
Timm Hagen (Crestview)  
Cynthia Hayden (Tampa)  
Donna Marzouk (Bradenton)  
Ezra Merritt (Pensacola)  
Ron Sagaert (Tallahassee)  
Lynn Santner (Pensacola)  
Laura Snyder (Pensacola)  
Christopher Toms (Pensacola)

## **Georgia**

Jennifer Gibbons (LaGrange)  
John Gibbons (LaGrange)

## **Hawaii**

Mitch Sanders (Paia)

## **Idaho**

Meghan Heighes (Idaho Falls)  
Michael Heighes (Idaho Falls)  
Robin Hillman (Spencer)  
Greg Hysmith (Nampa)  
Thomas Imberi (Idaho Falls)  
Ray Keating (Idaho Falls)  
Walter Leach Jr. (Idaho Falls)  
David Lodman (Idaho Falls)  
Jack Magnusson (Idaho Falls)  
Donato Salvucci (Rexburg)  
Don Voss (Idaho Falls)

## **Indiana**

Logan Dawes (Indianapolis)

## **Maryland**

Cassandra Centers (Columbia)  
Shari O'Donnell (Cheverly)

## **Massachusetts**

Richard Andersen (Becket)  
Fernando Barroso (Ludlow)  
Ronald Beauregard (Attleboro)  
Ailynn Cushman (Bridgewater)  
Maureen Hanson (Winthrop)  
Matthew Koslowski (Webster)  
Thomas Lang (Ashland)  
Hank Russell (Bellingham)  
Christina Saraf (Milton)  
Thomas Simolaris (Wilbraham)  
Eli Thorne-Thomsen (Shelburne Falls)

## **Michigan**

Aaron Andrus (Rockford)  
Larry Brow (Livonia)  
Daniel DeVowe (Iron River)  
Dameon Gore (Mount Pleasant)  
Leroy Miller (Battle Creek)  
Jo Moore (Pottsville)  
Karen Moore (Michiganamme)  
Dawne Rohlf (Northville)  
John Rohlf (Northville)  
Patricia Schultz (Livonia)  
Catherine Shapero (Northville)  
Roberta Slade (Livonia)  
Melissa Straney (Pontiac)  
David Wilk (Westland)  
Devon Wilk (Westland)

## **Minnesota**

Chanda Bossuyt (Ghent)  
Linda Erickson (Marshall)  
Paul Evanson (Minneota)  
Melissa Gednalske (Marshall)  
Dale Janiszski (Marshall)  
Sylvia Person (Burnsville)  
Dennis Peterson (Marshall)  
Vaughn Peterson (Marshall)  
Melissa Rutledge (Marshall)  
James Zahnow (Marshall)





**Montana**

Ginny Ballou (East Helena)  
 Mike Moody (Anaconda)  
 Audrey Parrow (Anaconda)  
 Cory Patterson (Butte)  
 Marge Tucker (Anaconda)

**Nevada**

Gregory DeVeau (Pahrump)  
 Scott Forst (Las Vegas)  
 Becky Ralphe (Reno)  
 Joshua Rindt (Las Vegas)  
 Jimmie Warnell (Henderson)  
 Gene Whitmer (Pahrump)

**New Hampshire**

Jeffrey Cobb (Newmarket)  
 John Pappas (Keene)  
 Gail Somers (Keene)  
 Unknown Unknown (Newmarket)

**New Jersey**

Janice Turner (Bedminster)

**New York**

Carol Vidjan (Rochester)

**North Carolina**

Samuel Franke (Flat Rock)  
 Mary Hill (Denver)

**Ohio**

Chelsea Nicholls (West Salem)

**Oklahoma**

Allan "Awgie" George (Oklahoma City)  
 Dan Gower (Skiatook)  
 Laura Williams (Oklahoma City)

**Oregon**

Ann Alvarez (Hillsboro)  
 Scott Bowers (La Grande)

Anna Curry (Waldport)  
 Carlos Curry (Waldport)  
 Gary Heacock (Bandon)  
 Rebecca Hetrick (Fairview)  
 Bob Huddleston (Rogue River)  
 Joyce Huddleston (Rogue River)  
 Patricia Lindsey (Salem)  
 Henry Mattos (Seal Rock)  
 Sarah Moehrke (Roseburg)  
 Lance Nevis (Grants Pass)  
 Delores Putzier (Springfield)  
 Kevin Ruel (Portland)  
 Katherine Schafer (Gresham)  
 Brett Silva (Eugene)  
 David Silva (Eugene)  
 Mark Simpson (Beaverton)  
 Pamela Taylor (Salem)  
 Michelle Varney (Grants Pass)

**Pennsylvania**

Gridley Wright (Erie)

**Rhode Island**

Mark Goodwin (Cranston)

**South Carolina**

Jill Bond (Piedmont)

**South Dakota**

Shad Harford (Rapid City)  
 Brenda Johnson (Rapid City)  
 Shelly Johnson (Black Hawk)

**Texas**

Elizabeth Costa (Southlake)  
 Teri Fishback (Jewett)  
 Carlton Fishback Jr. (Jewett)  
 Amy Harmon (Euless)  
 Joseph E. Karpenko (Haslet)  
 Joseph Y. Karpenko (North

Richland Hills)  
 Bob O'Connor (Irving)

**Virginia**

Nate Jon Waltermire (Virginia Beach)

**Washington**

Michael Brennan (Sequim)  
 Bart Dalmasso (Sultan)  
 Sofia Flores (Spokane)  
 Sam Herman (Spokane)  
 David Hogle (Spokane)  
 Conner Hogue (Chehalis)  
 Stefan Hurley (Rochester)  
 Nancy Krell (Spokane)  
 Roger Larsen (Vancouver)  
 John Lousen (Winthrop)  
 Maxim Napadiy (Puyallup)  
 Ken Quast (Pasco)  
 Brady Short (Belfair)  
 James Stracke (Puyallup)  
 Jewel Syfert (Sultan)  
 Alexandra Weber (Puyallup)  
 Douglas Woods (Tacoma)  
 Elayne Wylie (Seattle)

**Wisconsin**

Jon Allard (Oshkosh)  
 Linda Brantner (Iron River)  
 Joyce Carroll Deer (New Berlin)  
 Joe Gates (Iron River)  
 Peggy Hipsher (Iron River)  
 Joyce Orlovski (Iron River)  
 Joe Reuter (Willard)  
 Dean Snodgrass (Rothschild)  
 Nina Snodgrass (Dorchester)

**Wyoming**

Stan Drake (Mills)

# Scott's Peek at the Past

by Scott Kooistra (Spencer NE)

In 1984, **Robert “Mick” Michaelis** (WI) was the national Master Rating Points champion with a total of 1461.43 points. 43-hundredths of a point, what?? This column will discuss what components made up the early MRP system, which lasted until the 1984–85 season.

The founding fathers of the American Cribbage Congress met in Cincinnati in January 1980 with well over a dozen items on their agenda. One key issue was to develop a player rating system. A committee chaired by **Jim Arblaster** (FL) met and developed a system for tournaments, which was approved by the ACC Board of Directors at their annual meeting in Raleigh on July 25, 1980. This MRP system was implemented in September 1980.

The first system gave points to one of every eight players in the main tourney and only included where a player finished in the playoffs. No points were given for the qualifying round. Consolation participants were given only half the points of a main in columns A–E (explained below).

In the early years there was no requirement on how many players qualified for the playoffs. Most tourneys just qualified whatever was closest to an even bracket of 8, 16, 32, or 64 players. There were typically no byes given, and the playoffs usually included matches for each spot. For instance, in the first Minnesota Open I directed, we had 230 players. We qualified 64 players, and played off for the top 16 spots . . . lots of cribbage.

I will use the first sanctioned tourney I directed, the Kalamazoo Cribbage Classic in the 1981–82 season, as an example of how points were distributed. We had 44 players (8 qualifiers) who braved a huge Michigan snowstorm to compete. My longtime friend **Jeff Shimp** (then of Allegan MI) won his last three games of qualifying and defeated all three opponents 3-0 in the playoffs to win the title and a whopping \$150 (the entry fee was \$16)!

Now for the MRPs. The early tournament sanction form had five columns, A through E. In column A, Jeff was awarded 44 points and each successive player got eight points less. For example, **Jim Fabian** (IL) took fifth place and got 12 points in column A.

Column B awarded one-quarter point for each year of the tournament, so in this case Jeff got .25 points. Column C reflected one-quarter point for each state represented in the tourney; three states were at the Kalamazoo Classic so each person in the top six got .75 points. Column D added points for player benefits such as prize money, trophies, food and beverage, and so on; this was divided by the number of players and then took one-tenth of that number. In this example, Jeff got 1.49 points. Finally, in column E, *every* participant in the main tournament received 10 points for playing. Jeff therefore got  $44 + .25 + .75 + 1.49 + 10 = 56.49$  MRPs. By the way, I won the 22-player consolation (4 qualifiers) and received 21.13 points, woohoo!

This system was somewhat confusing, but as you can see the overall goal of the Board

## Legacy Tournaments

*by Keith Widener*

On the recommendation of a special committee led by **Bob Joslin** and **Jason Matheny**, the Board of Directors recently voted to award bonus Master Rating Points (MRPs) at the ACC's three legacy tournaments: JPW/ACC Open, Grand National, and National Open.

The JPW/ACC Open, which is the largest ACC tournament, is currently held in Reno NV in March each year. The Grand National is a rotating tournament that cycles between the three regions each fall. And the National Open—the ACC's founding tournament—is a double-elimination tournament held in Raleigh/Durham NC every July. Each of these tournaments define the ACC and as such are designated legacy tournaments. In order to protect these tournaments and preserve the heritage of the ACC, no other sanctioned tournaments are allowed to be held anywhere when these events are scheduled, making these tournaments exclusive.

In order to encourage attendance at these special events, starting with the 2024 Grand National in Las Vegas NV, players can now earn 20% additional MRPs in both the main and consolation tournaments. This 20% increase applies to both the qualifying rounds and the playoffs. These bonus points will automatically be calculated and added to any points you earn. These extra points could be exactly what you need to help you reach a goal or the next level, or even qualify you for All Star honors.

Only these three legacy tournaments will be awarding the bonus MRPs. They do not apply to tournaments leading up to or following up these events.

Make your plans now to attend all of these events and earn your bonus MRPs! The Grand National in Las Vegas begins on 11/15/24, the JPW/ACC Open starts on 3/6/25, and the National Open weekend starts on 7/17/25.

of Directors was to increase ACC membership and increase the size of tournaments. The thought process was successful because membership and participation grew by leaps and bounds in those early years.

More about Master Rating Points and the early tournaments next month. Happy Thanksgiving!

Scott knows so much ACC history because he has lived through most of it—and has done just about everything in the ACC: BOD member, VP, president, national MRP champ x2, All American x7, tournament director, and youngest person elected to the ACC's Hall of Fame.

I went to the Sin City tournaments, ably directed by **Brenda Nason** and the **Schaefer**s, in Henderson NV on September 20–23. My bad streak continued in Sin City #1 with my fourth high non-qualifier this year. However, the next day, at Sin City #2, my luck changed dramatically for the better. I had the third 40 (or 40+) card of my rather pedestrian cribbage career. It is amazing when you have more skunks than losses which, in my case, meant eight and six, respectively. With help of a bye and one match victory, Yours Truly rolled into the third round of the playoffs. In the deciding game of the third round where, as poned, I needed three holes to get out, win the match, and advance to the finals, I was dealt 4-6-10-10-Q-K. I tossed the Q-K. A 7 was cut. No problemo, I'm thinking, because I'll just run the count high enough where I'll get at least one go and then use my pair to get out. Oops, big problemo. In saving my 10s I permitted my opponent, **Don Ferenz** (Muskegon MI) to make two runs, which were enough for him to get out. Oh well, if a person needing three can't make more than two points, he probably doesn't deserve to win anyway. The Master Rating Points I did make got me within 50 of the coveted Two Star award, which, as followers of this space will recall, I've been chasing for much too long.

My friend and weekend host, **Rodney Rideau** (Las Vegas NV), had a good run: second in the first consolation and first in the second consolation. I wonder what would have happened if there had been a third consolation. Anyway, congratulations, Rodney. Remember to keep my room ready for Grand National.

I saw in the September *Cribbage World* that our esteemed ACC president, **James Morrow**, did the exact thing that I railed against **Troy Thorson** for doing, that is, directing a tournament, being high qualifier, and winning the whole shebang. Honestly, James, not a good look for the congress president. It smacks of favoritism (but congratulations anyway).

In closing I'd like to mention the recent passing of good friend and accomplished cribbage player, **Roy Cook** (Oceanside CA) (1935–2024). Not only an excellent player, Roy was a peg maker extraordinaire. He was a fierce competitor and a gentleman. RIP, Roy, you will be missed.

Over and out.



## Ruling Points

by Keith Widener

### Take the Judge Test!

Have you ever thought about becoming a judge? Did you know there are protocols that judges must follow? These protocols are listed on pages 8 and 9 of the current ACC rulebook. All current judges should be familiar with these and should be following them. Some of these protocols are as follows:

- **Judges should not allow players to begin an explanation of what caused the problem . . . until two judges are present.**
- **Where one of the players [needing a judge call] is a judge, that player should not display or open [their] rulebook.**
- **At least one of the judges responding to a judge call must have a rulebook in hand.**
- **Judges are not allowed to judge a situation wherein they are a party to the dispute [that is, you cannot judge your own problem].**
- **Judges should monitor the pegging of [penalty] points to ensure there are no errors.**

- **A senior judge should be appointed as head judge.**
- **Whenever possible, . . . a judge should not judge a situation involving a family member, club member, roommate, or traveling partner [to avoid any conflict of interests].**

While it is permissible for two individuals to resolve their own problems (with a few exceptions in which judges *must* be called), if you are a judge and you are involved in an issue, call for judges and recuse yourself from the decision so as to ensure fairness to the other player (you are not allowed to judge your own dispute anyway).

If you are not a judge, by knowing these protocols you can better understand what is happening when judges are called. And remember, if you do not agree with the judges' ruling or something doesn't sound right, don't be shy, call for the head judge. Make that person do some work!

Remember to be nice to your opponent, and let's all have fun!

Keith Widener is head of the ACC's judge program. Send questions about rules and the rulebook to Keith at [kwidener@triad.rr.com](mailto:kwidener@triad.rr.com).

## Long Match Ledger

Colorado  
Long  
Match

winner

runner-up

semifinalists

Sue Edwards (Denver) Mike Poole (Westminster) Steve Sundet (Fort Morgan)  
Mark Cochran (Englewood)

# Vicki's Cribbage Vibes

Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard

◆ by Vicki Soule ◆ soule1994@comcast.net ◆

Gobble! Gobble! It's Turkey Month. Time to eat ourselves silly! Since the Las Vegas Grand National is in November, we can all celebrate the following days together! November 13 is Sadie Hawkins day! How fun would it be to have a Sadie Hawkins tournament? Get your guys lined up, girls! November 15 is National Drum Day: concert in Vegas maybe? November 16, the main of the Grand National, is International Day of Tolerance. That would be amazing playing cribbage with many people in Las Vegas. Can we be tolerant of our opponents?

The 39th annual New Hampshire Open took place in Nashua NH on September 15. **Mary Burlington** and **David Statz** directed this tournament a few weeks before they ran off on their honeymoon. David tried to win his own tournament, but was stopped by **Todd Smith**. The consolation saw New England Peer tournament director **Donald Janelle** get the win over **Guy Spezzaferro**—one of those Somerville Skunkers.

Augusta ME was the place to be on September 22. It is my most favorite tournament as it is thirty minutes from home.

**Jordan Lecours** took the win (his first!) over clubmate **Darlene Young**. ➔ The consolation was an all-Maine final as

**Mark Soule** got the win over **Sue Jaynes**. It was so nice to see Sue ◀ in the finals; she has been a fixture in New England cribbage for many years and is a pleasure to play with. The delicious lunch was provided by the Augusta American Legion.



We stay in Maine, for the next tournament, but a little south in

Wells, on September 28. The second Seaside in Wells tournament is played at a senior center, where they also do lunch. They even gave us a choice of shepherd's pie or macaroni and cheese. What great cooks! I was told to mention that the number one qualifier, **Mark Soule**, had an impressive 22/11 +111. ➔ Mark got skunked his last game to ruin his grand slam, but his card was awesome nonetheless. Mark did not make it to the finals, finishing 3–4 and losing to the eventual winner, **David Statz**. Mary was not at this tournament as they were running off on their honeymoon (finally). **Jim Maffa**, another Somerville Skunker, came in second. In the consolation, **Laurie Hardy** won over **Carol Hersom**.

We had another inaugural tournament on October 11–13 in Abington MA, directed by **Deb Cotter**, **Sue Baker**, and **Mike D'Elena**. Mike and Deb directed the South Shore Open back in May, but this was Deb's first time with a 22-game tournament (she also directs the Grass Roots club in North Attleboro MA). In the end,

Game	Score	Points
1	2	23
2	2	23
3	2	06
4	2	08
5	2	13
6	2	26
7	2	39
8	2	03
9	2	02
10	2	09
11	2	04
12	0	37
Total	22	111 +111

## The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros



A cribbage hand can be played by good players a multitude of ways. Let's examine a hand where I disagree with two players you may have heard of: **Erik Locke** and **Terry Cushman**.

It's the first hand of the game and you are the pone and are dealt A-A-5-5-8-8. What's your hold? Erik says A-A-5-5. This hand has many ways to get to eight points, and Erik says 8-8 doesn't usually hurt him in the crib. Terry likes 5-5-8-8 and then lead a 5 to try to garner a 31-for-4 with his 8-8. Terry is not afraid of the A-A discard, especially on first street. I come down on the side of caution; I'm keeping A-5-5-8 and trying to stifle the dealer's crib with A-8. I lead my Ace and usually avoid potential pegging landmines.

I just don't think any of these holds risk a big crib—even on the first hand of the game. There will be plenty of other situations during the game where the risk will be worth the reward.

So how does the ACC Universe play this hand. Please email and let me know. Maybe you'll convince me or Erik or Terry to switch allegiances!

You can get Rob to switch his allegiances by emailing him at [mrob2199@aol.com](mailto:mrob2199@aol.com).



Player	Hand	Score
Rob	43	48
Mark	48	50
PT	62	64
Mark	63	64

Win 2 - Share 4  
Loss 0 0  
Please mail verify  
board and sign both  
according to rules  
Sue

at the Abington club, came in second. Congratulations to both! The consy . . . well just look at the picture. **↑ Rob and Mark** . . . do they need last names? I may have been the only one in the crowd watching. Congrats to Rob for winning.

I hope everyone has a great Turkey Day. Here are some laughs you can share around the table.

Deb showed off with fireworks, winning her own tourney; ➔ this was Deb's first main win! **Mayland Champion**, who plays in



### November Funnies

- Q.** Why did the cranberry blush?
- A.** It saw the turkey dressing.
- Q.** What's a pilgrim's favorite dance?
- A.** The turkey trot.
- Q.** Why was the turkey asked to join a band?
- A.** It could bring its own drumsticks!
- Q.** Why should you never tell secrets in a cornfield?
- A.** The corn has ears!

# Internet Cribbage

by Sally Henderson  
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**Schedule:** there will be no ACC online tournaments on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day.

Congrats to all who achieved an internet milestone level during the 2023–24 season and are receiving an award at

Grand National! Since some online players may not travel GN, I'd like to acknowledge everyone here, in chronological order per level. Kudos to all on a job well done!

## Champion

Gregory Gougian (*gougie00*)

## Life eMasters (2★) (15,000 IRPs)

Mike Fetchel (*mfetchct425*)

Dan Crete (*dec*)

## Point Leader of the Month

**James Morrow** (*29seeker*) @ 177 IRPs

## New Life eMasters (6,000 IRPs)

**Roger Baxter** (*rdbaxter1*)

## New Grand eMasters (4,000 IRPs)

**Joe Clarke** (*bigrednebraska*)

**Allen Wilson** (*gdub*)

## New eMasters (2,000 IRPs)

**June Fordham** (*june6*)

## Internet 28-Hands

**Brad Henderson** (*ousooner*)

**Nancy Rojas** (*nancribdr*)

**Mike Rosenstock** (*sirpegger*)

## Internet Grand Slams

**Greg Gougian** (*gougie00*)

## internet . leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	299	Kelly Ann Burgar ( <i>liithummp</i> )
2	250	James Morrow ( <i>29seeker</i> )
3	235	Nancy Rojas ( <i>nancribdr</i> )
4	231	Joe Clarke ( <i>bigrednebraska</i> )
5	220	Norman Thompson ( <i>nomadnrm</i> )
6	219	Sue Edwards ( <i>co434sue</i> )
7	214	Brad Henderson ( <i>ousooner</i> )
8	214	Bryan Gurden ( <i>gurdzilla</i> )
9	212	Rick Allen ( <i>excitations</i> )
10	211	Ron Shelton ( <i>red29rws</i> )

## Life eMasters (★) (10,000 IRPs)

Nancy Roncetti (*nunzia*)

Sam Sinram (*ia503*)

Mike Rosenstock (*sirpegger*)

## Life eMasters (6,000 IRPs)

Donald Howard (*grumpydopey3*)

Donald Olney (*olney47*)

James Logue (*triplejamesl*)

## Grand eMasters (4,000 IRPs)

Marilyn Gaudreau (*mohini*)

Bob Bartosh (*accbob*)

Gregory Gougian (*gougie00*)

Todd Wolfley (*lobomente*)

Bernard Kitheka (*wanzelu*)

## eMasters (2,000 IRPs)

Dan Selke (*kindofblue*)

Jennifer Bolles (*jebbbifer*)

Ron Melrose (*rpmrpm*)

Ken Moomey (*kenia*)

Phillip Cammack (*bigbutte*)

Christy Lens (*charlieann*)

William McArthur (*mac42*)

Adrian Levy (*rohrerboy*)

Roger McGlenn (*mtmogie*)

Ronald Shelton (*red29rws*)





If you guessed that John and Maria are at the Italian Riviera—you are absolutely right! Here are the “Five Lands” they visited (from top to bottom):

Monterosso, Vernazza, Corniglia, Manarola, and Riomaggiore. (See page 27.)







## The Kat Hartsell EXPERIENCE



The first ever Fall Brawl for It All double-header in Spokane took place on September 21. I had been tossing the idea around since the Memorial Day Tournament, and was so happy to see a great turn out with such little notice and planning time.

I was delighted to see a player from Spokane, **Mattie Kivett**, make it to the finals for the one-day tournament but my good friend, **Bob Brumley**, ended up taking home another win.

There was an incredible brawl between **Audrey Hatto** and our newest co-director, **Jason Ramelow**,  and I am honored to say that the only woman in the playoffs took the win all the way back to Canada with her! In other news, I got to add another *first* to my experience as a high qualifier! Another incredible feat goes to a local player, **Bud Koski**,  who won *both* consolations for the weekend!

Earlier in the month you could find me in Boise ID for the wonderfully run tournament by **Ron and Laurie Logan**. I was in a house with eleven others, seven of whom qualified in the main tournament! From the high qualifier (**James Morrow**) to the finals (**Craig Smith** and main winner **Chris McComas**), 40% of the top 18 were all under



one roof. Let me tell you, the playoffs were even more of a joy because of that. Especially for McComas and Smith, who actually traveled to the tournament together, and made it easier for the ride home by playing one another in the finals! We all wanted to win, but we were so thrilled for our friends.

What a month. I am exhausted. So proud of everybody, whether you won or lost. We got to be with the best people in the nation playing the game we all know and love so much! Can't wait to see everybody at Grand National in Vegas!



# CRIBBAGE AROUND THE WORLD *Continued*

by John Quist  
~ with lots of help from Maria ~

John	Maria
09	12

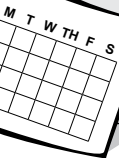
Maria and I traveled to the Italian Riviera next. Since we know cribbage players love the number five, we decided to visit the Cinque Terre, which translates to “the five lands.” The five towns (lands) are Monterosso, Vernazza, Corniglia, Manarola, and Riomaggiore. I hoped I would receive many fives while in the five lands but alas . . . Maria won two of three games again and increased her lead.

While I didn’t get many fives in the Cinque Terre, I did get to eat food that was invented there: focaccia. → Each of the five towns had different spins

on the texture and the toppings.

Our favorites included the olive and mushroom topping versions. Throw in some local wine, and you have a meal. Fresh anchovies were the other local favorite. We had them served to us right off the boat. Just to make sure all visitors would know that pasta was available, some bistros used pasta to decorate the windows of the cafés. ← The five that I liked the best in the Cinque Terre, was that you could eat a very good lunch as described above, for only \$5 per person.





# SANCTIONED Tournaments **MRPs**

as of September 10

The full list of regional standings will return.

Western Region			Central Region			Eastern Region		
MRPs name			MRPs name			MRPs name		
1	588	Bob Brumley	1	706	Jim Mahan	1	321	Robert Baker
2	415	Dave Yaeger	2	640	Terry Weber	2	310	Frank Abernathy
3	410	Erik Royland Locke	3	313	Cynthia Wark	3	302	David Statz
4	283	Craig Smith	4	197	Scott Sand	4	235	Terrance Cushman
5	267	Jason Shumate	5	182	Kathie Nordlund	5	215	Frank Reddy
6	262	Bob Prochnow	6	177	Dave DeVowe	6	189	William Shoemaker
7	210	David Bute	6	177	Jeff Shimp	7	184	Todd Smith
8	208	Bob Bartosh	6	177	Wendy Yafuso	8	183	Steven Braley
9	206	Paul Gregson	9	160	Larry Leidenheimer	9	177	Nancy Riccio
10	202	Marcia Glenn	10	147	Peter Christensen	10	174	Mike Misluk
11	186	Wayne Momsen	10	147	Matt Klar	11	171	Robert Medeiros
12	185	Larry McKinney	12	142	Jeff Machovsky	12	167	Stephen Dugas
13	181	Alan Talacek	13	140	Dan Sand	13	161	Jack Howsare
14	179	Pete Larsen	14	139	Frank Duresky	13	161	Donna LaFleur
15	177	Cy Madrone	15	135	Arthur Loveland	15	148	Mark Soule

## Youth News

from Don "Grumpy" Howard

### Youth Tournament Trail

- December 7 ♦ Ready Springs (Penn Valley CA)
- February 8 ♦ Sierra Youth Tournament (Grass Valley CA)
- June 28 ♦ Youth Grand National 6 (Reno NV)
- July 24 ♦ New England Youth Tourney (Bangor ME)

### News: Youth Tourney Results

#### Youth Pegging for Vets (Sacramento CA; Oct. 5)

- champion and high qualifier—**Angelina Villalobos** (Oroville CA; age 16)
- 2nd place—**Marley Souza** (Ione CA; age 12)

#### Youth Dick Ault Memorial (Oroville CA; Oct. 6)

- 1st place—**Lyla Lane** (Chico CA; age 10)—her first tournament!
- 2nd place and high qualifier—**Cameron Shumate** (Chico CA; age 11)

## Snowbird Alert

The post office will forward only two issues of *Cribbage World* when you move, which results in numerous CW returns. To make sure that you don't miss any CWs, ACC programmer **Scott Harker** did his software magic, and now membership secretary **Brenda Nason** can enter two addresses for you. So . . . next time you change locations, send email to [membership@cribbage.org](mailto:membership@cribbage.org) with the address you are changing to and the effective date, and voilà!—your *Cribbage World* will follow you wherever you go, whether you are trying to escape the heat or the cold!

# Tournament Trail

## CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

### ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
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GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE		
<i>date</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>Tournament Directors</i>
Nov. 12–17, 2024	Las Vegas NV	Troy Thorson, Kathy Pacocha, David Aiken
Sep. 30–Oct. 5, 2025	Deadwood SD	David Aiken, Patrick Barrett, Dan Selke, John Hazlett
Oct. 13–18, 2026	Niagara Falls NY	David Aiken, Mark Soule, Vlcki Soule
TOC & ACC OPEN SCHEDULE		
Mar. 7–9, 2025	Reno NV	Peggy & Rick Shea, Scott Kooistra

#### WI ♦ Nov. 1–3, Northeast Wisconsin Open

Best Western, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

#### ME ♦ Nov. 2, Chris Greeley Classic

Holden School, 590 Main Rd, Holden ME 04429. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Carlyle Foss

#### CA ♦ Nov. 2, Peggung for Vets

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Marsha Finley

#### OR ♦ Nov. 2–3, Brownsville Open

Kirks Ferry Trading Post, 217 Bishop Way, Brownsville OR 97327. TD: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.733.1136)

#### MA ♦ Nov. 3, Boston Regional Tournament

Irish American Club, 177 West St, Malden MA 02148. TD: Frank Reddy (617.974.7562) & Bill Cormier

NH ♦ Windrifter Doubleheader
Windrifter Resort, 337 South, Wolfeboro NH 03894. TD: Mark & Vicki Soule (207.442.9001)
<b>Dec. 13, Windrifter Classic</b>
<b>Dec. 14–15, David Campbell Memorial</b>

#### ↓ PROMO IN AUGUST CW ↓

#### CA & NV ♦ Pre-Grand National Cluster

**CA ♦ Nov. 6–8, Diamond Mountain Fall Classic**  
Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Rd, Susanville CA 96130. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Beverly Castillo

#### NV ♦ Nov. 8–10, Veterans Day Classic

J Resort, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. TD: Peggy Shea (707.599.4605) & Rick Baird

#### CA ♦ Nov. 11, Topaz Fall One-Day Wonder

Topaz Lodge, 1979 US-395, Gardnerville CA 89410. TD: Beverly Castillo (775.453.3715) & Jeanne Jelke

#### NV ♦ Grand National 42

Rampart Casino, 221 N Rampart Blvd, Las Vegas NV 89145. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & Troy Thorson (303.909.5125)

#### Nov. 12–14, GN 42 Midweek

#### Nov. 15–17, Grand National 42

*tournament flyer online*

#### AZ ♦ Nov. 23–24, Arizona Screaming Eagles

Crooks House, 10938 W Tropicana Cir, Sun City AZ 85351. TD: Darlene Stier (907.338.3234) & June Fordham

#### AK ♦ Nov. 23, Anchorage Open

Moose, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99503. TD:

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C. J. Kim (907.245.2687) & Arlene Carle

**CT ♦ Nov. 24, Yankee Classic**

Elks, 9 N Park St, Vernon CT 06066. TD: Phil Martin (860.768.2681) & Mike Fetchel

**MI ♦ Thanksgiving Doubleheader**

American Legion, 401 N Park, Grand Rapids MI. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & John Hazlett

**Nov. 29 + Dec. 1, Wishbone Open**

**Nov. 30, Reindeer Games**

**OR ♦ Nov. 29–Dec. 1, Thanksgiving at the Mill**

Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR 97459. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

**VA ♦ Virginia Beach Doubleheader**

Sheraton Four Points, 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. TD: Laurie Schmitz (757.214.2327) & Megan Player

**Dec. 6, Virginia Beach Classic 1**

**Dec. 7–8, Virginia Beach Classic 2**

**CO ♦ Dec. 7, MVP Winter Challenge**

VFW, 305 S Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80538. TD: Vickie Humphrey (970.988.3345) & Wanda Berry

**CA ♦ Dec. 7, Ready Springs Youth Tournament**

Ready Springs School Gym, 10862 Spenceville Rd, Penn Valley CA 95946. TD: Jeff Duran (530.913.2464) & Grumpy Howard

**OR ♦ Dec. 7, Willamette Valley Classic**

Miller's BBQ, 4600 25th Ave NE #165, Salem OR 97301. TD: Greg Schleusner (530.563.8432) & Bill O'Malley

**CA ♦ Dec. 14, Pegging for Vets**

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Marsha Finley

**OR ♦ Depoe Bay Doubleheader**

Community Hall, 220 SE Bay St, Depoe Bay OR 97341. TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Pete Maas & Greg Schleusner

**Dec. 27, Steve Lewis Memorial**

**Dec. 28–29, Depoe Bay Challenge**

**WI ♦ Jan. 3–5, Wisconsin Dells Deal**

Wintergreen Resort, 60 Gasser Rd, Lake Delton WI 53965. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke

**CA ♦ Sacramento Tripleheader**

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Bill Schlables (530.219.4729) & Rick Baird

**Jan. 9–10, Sacramento VFW #1**

**Jan. 11, Sacramento VFW #2**

**Jan. 12, Sacramento VFW #3**

**AZ ♦ Jan. 10–12, Snowbird Special**

DAV Hall, 954 S 13th Ave, Yuma AZ 85364. TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Jim Blakely

**OR ♦ Jan. 11, Willamette Valley Challenge**

Miller's BBQ, 4600 25th Ave NE #165, Salem OR 97301. TD: Greg Schleusner (530.563.8432) & Bill O'Malley

**WI ♦ Jan. 17–19, American Pride**

Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverfront Dr, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

**FL ♦ FWB Doubleheader**

VFW, 213 Carol Ave NW, Fort Walton Beach FL 32548. TD: Jim & Paul Hearon (850.866.7866)

**Jan. 17, Land Shark Open**

**Jan. 18–19, Emerald Coast Open**

**OR ♦ Jan. 18–19, Bandon It's a New Year!**

Senior Center, 1100 11th St SW, Bandon OR 97411. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

**NV ♦ Sin City Doubleheader**

Pass Casino, 140 S Water St, Henderson NV 89011. TD: Brenda Nason (619.300.2628) & Sharon Schaefer

**Jan. 24, Sin City Shuffle**

**Jan. 25–26, Schaefer Shuffle**

**NV ♦ Lake Mead Doubleheader**

Pass Casino, 140 S Water St, Henderson NV 89011. TD: Alan Schaefer (414.331.0809) & Gary Sand & Jim Dillard

**Jan. 27, Lake Mead Challenge**

**Jan. 28–29, Lake Mead Classic**

**AZ ♦ Scottsdale Doubleheader**

Elks, 6398 E Oak St, Scottsdale AZ 85257. TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Charlene Hudson

**Jan. 31, Cactus Cribbage Classic**

**Feb. 1–2, Roadrunner Classic**

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**CT September Sizzler: \$72 to St.  
Peters Episcopal Church**

**NH ♦ Wolfeboro Doubleheader**

Windrifter Resort, 337 S Main St, Wolfeboro NH 03894. TD: Vicki & Mark Soule (207.442.9001)

**Jan. 31, Winter in Wolfeboro One-Day**

**Jan. 31–Feb. 2, Medeiros Memorial**

**MN ♦ Chaska Doubleheader**

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318.  
TD: Adam Switzer (952.687.1642) &  
Steve Schneider & Bob Joslin

**Jan. 31, Minnesota Snowball One-Day**

**Feb. 1–2, Switzer's Birthday Bash**

**MI ♦ Feb. 8, Rod Hovey Memorial**

VFW, 1920 E Kilgore Service Rd, Portage MI 49002.  
TD: Roger Brown (269.382.3571) & Steve Nuyen

**CA ♦ Feb. 8, Pegging for Vets**

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823.  
TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Marsha Finley

**OR ♦ Feb. 8, Willamette Valley Open**

Miller's BBQ, 4600 25th Ave NE #165, Salem OR 97301. TD: Greg Schleusner (530.563.8432) & Bill O'Malley

**CA ♦ Feb. 8, Sierra Youth Tournament**

Chicago Park School, 15725 Mt Olive Rd, Grass Valley CA 95945. TD: Don Grumpy Howard (916.212.2465) & Lori Boyer

**WI ♦ Feb. 14–16, Go Green Bay**

Townline Bar & Grill, Townline Rd, Green Bay WI 54313. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

**OR ♦ Feb. 15–16, Come Sea Bandon**

Senior Center, 1100 11th St SW, Bandon OR 97411. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

**VA ♦ Virginia Beach Doubleheader**

Sheraton Four Points, 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. TD: Laurie Schmitz (757.214.2327) & Megan Player

**Feb. 20–21, Virginia Beach Cluster Part 1**

**Feb. 22–23, Virginia Beach Cluster Part 2**

**CA ♦ Feb. 28–Mar. 2, Northern California Open**  
Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Margaret Fanucchi

**CA ♦ Mar. 3–5, Susanville Winter Classic**  
Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Rd, Susanville CA 96130. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Jim Langley

**NV ♦ The Big One!**

J Resort, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501

**March 6 ♦ Canadian Doubles**

TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & John Hazlett

**March 7 ♦ TOC**

TD: Patrick Barrett (715.424.5059) &  
Todd Schaefer (651.338.8116)

**March 8–9 ♦ JPW/ACC Open**

TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605)

*entry form online soon!*

**CA ♦ Mar. 15, Wine Country Spring Open**

Moose, 3275 Browns Valley Rd, Napa CA 94558.  
TD: Roland Hall (707.738.0799) & Yvonne Bowers

**AK ♦ Mar. 15, Alaska State Championship**

Moose, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99503. TD: C. J. KIM (907.748.2684) & Arlene Carle

**RI ♦ Mar. 16, Corned Beef & Cribbage**

St. Josephs Veterans Hall, 99 Louise St, Woonsocket RI 02895. TD: Rick Montague (508.414.4684) & Leo Houle

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**IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS**

**Barbara D. Chaplik**

Barbara Chaplik (Klamath Falls OR), who played with the Grand Junction CO group, passed away on September 10. She will be playing in spirit from here onward.

**David Olney**

Des Moines Club 17 lost a club member on October 2. Dave Olney (Johnston IA), aged 77, was a life ACC member and had reached his Bronze Award. He went to cribbage tournaments around the country over the years. Dave served in the US

Navy during the Vietnam era. He and his twin, Dennis, participated in the Vietnam Era Twin Study of Aging (VET-SA). He worked more than thirty-five years with the US Postal Service. After retiring, he was a school bus driver in the Des Moines area for several years. Dave always had a great sense of humor and was a great competitor. He will be greatly missed by all.



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